



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner: Weddington, K.

Serial No.: 09/720,136

Group Art Unit: 1614

Filed: March 16, 2001

Title: USE OF OILS HAVING A HIGH LAURIC ACID CONTENT AS AN  
ANIMAL FEED

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

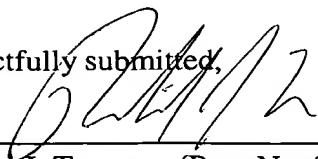
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2001, Applicants elect Group II, (claims 10-18) drawn to an animal feed composition comprising an anti-bacterial fatty acid component. This election is made with traverse. Applicants submit that the subject matter of Group I (claims 1-9) and Group III (claims 19-21) should be rejoined with the elected claims once allowable subject matter is identified. The claims of Group I and Group III define methods which employs the animal feed compositions of Group II. If the subject matter of Group II is

found to be allowable, it would not be an undue burden to extend the examination to the subject matter of Groups I and III.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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